

Who I Am (I Be)
By Hannah Drake

I be's _____ (1 word that describes your personality i.e. I be's strong, powerful, wise, lost, confused.)

I be's _____ (1 element found in nature)

I be's _____, _____, and _____ (3 words to describe you. i.e. I be's love, hope, resilient, sad, lonely, etc.)

I be's _____,
I be's _____,
I be's _____

(Choose 3 phrases that describe who you are regarding race, gender identity, ethnicity, religious affiliation, mental and/or physical abilities, age)

I be's _____ (1 word that describes your personality)

I
be's _____

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____ (3 descriptive phrases to describe you (i.e. the fork in the road, Robert Frost's road not taken, gold at the end of the rainbow, a child's dream.)

All I ever wanted to be is _____,

(3 things that you have always wanted to be)

So, let me be _____ (1 word that states what you would like the world to allow you to be i.e. So, let me be love, So. let me be fearless, etc.)

Let me and _____ (Name a group of people, a family member, loved one, etc.) be

_____ (1 adjective)

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(Please complete this section with any goals, aspirations, dreams, feelings, thoughts, etc.)

Let us be _____

Let us be _____

Let us be _____

Let us be... everything

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I be's **strong**
I be's **Mother Earth**
I be's **love, hope and promise**
I be's **Africa's child**, I be's **a woman that carries the weight of the world**, I be's **my**
ancestors dream
I be's **determination**
I be's **Maya's caged bird, Paul Dunbar's mask, I be Nina's blackbird**
All I ever wanted to be is **free, loud, uninhibited**
So, let me be **great**
Let me and **my people be brave, proud, victorious**
Let us be **life**
Let us be **truth**
Let us be **breath, inhaled and exhaled freely**
Let us be.... everything

About Who I Am (I Be) by Hannah Drake

"It's not what you say out of your mouth that determines your life, it's what you whisper to yourself that has the most power." – Robert Kiyosaki

Often, I have wondered, who am I, before the world told me who I was supposed to be? If I could be who I truly see and know myself to be on the inside, what could I create, design, write, invent, become, how would my life change? Who I Am (I Be) is a poem designed for the participant to reflect on who they are as a person beyond the titles they have earned or that have been given to them. Who I Am (I Be) seeks to engage the participant to a deeper understanding of how they see themselves, how they create a sense of self, and how they reframe, reorganize and rethink who they are as a person.

